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Abstract:

Many Western organizations have been transferred into knowledge-based organizations and gained many competitive advantages as a result. Meanwhile, most of the Arab organizations are in their early stages in dealing with knowledge and knowledge management. The objective of this paper is to explain the concepts of knowledge and knowledge management, and discuss the challenges that Arab organizations face in this regard. Toward that end, the paper describes the basic operations and functions of knowledge management and the stages of its life cycle. The paper also introduces a model for measuring the knowledge management effectiveness and its effects on organizational outcomes. Finally, the paper recommends a number of steps that Arab organizations could follow in order to be transferred into knowledge-based organizations.

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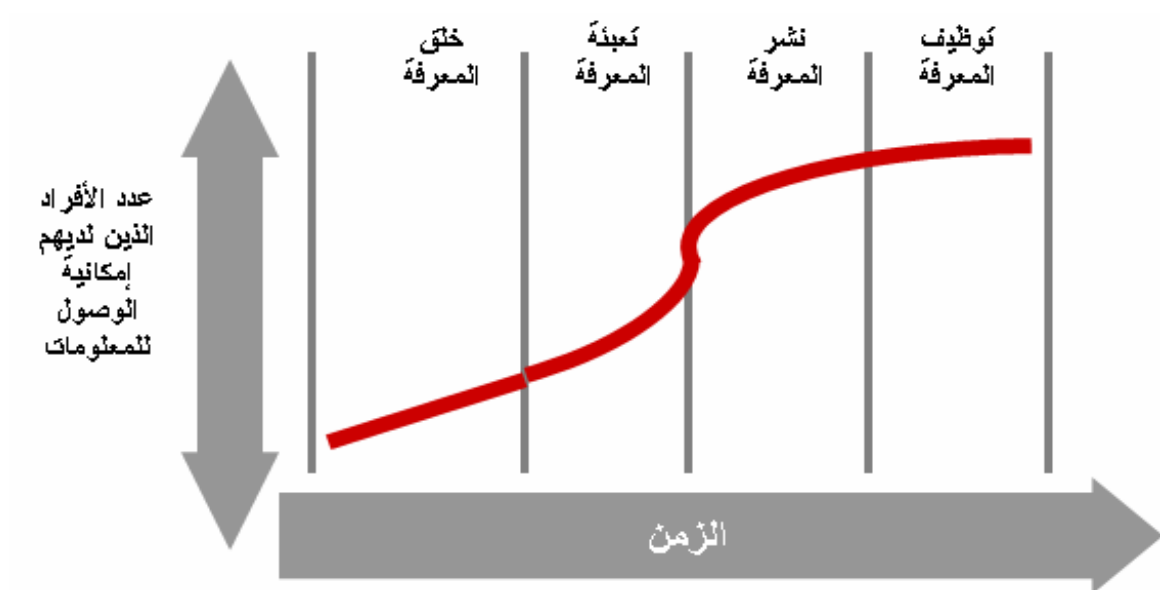
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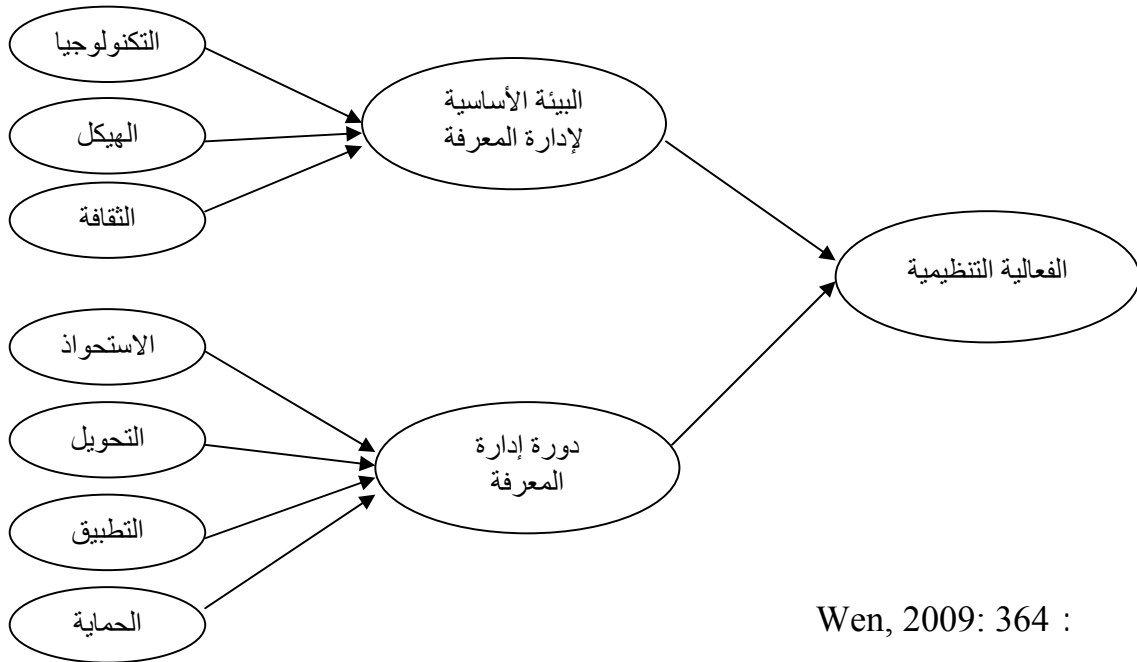
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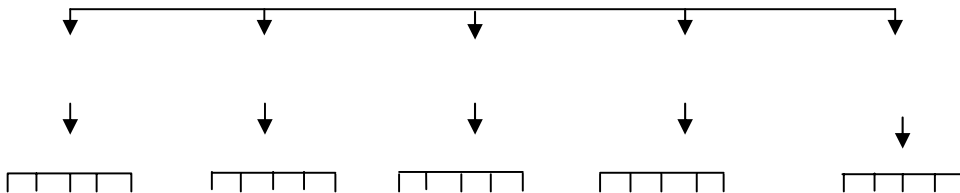
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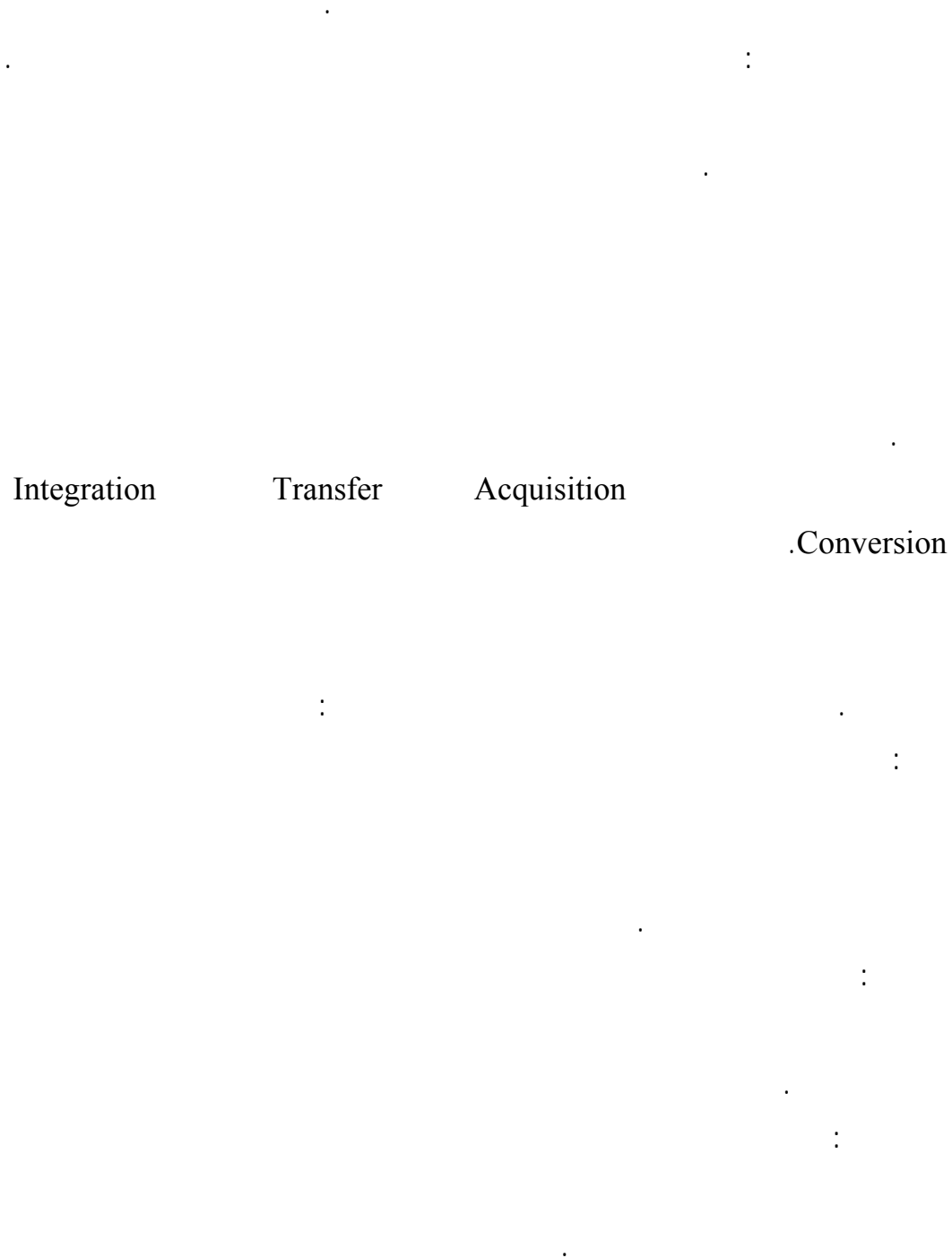
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